

Renewable Energy Transmission Initiative (RETI)  
Draft Minutes of Stakeholder Steering Committee Meeting  
May 29, 2009

The RETI Stakeholder Steering Committee met at the California Energy Commission in Sacramento and via web conference on May 29, 2009, beginning at 10:00 AM. Minutes compiled by Dave Olsen.

The Committee took the following actions:

1. **Approved minutes.** Minutes of the April 21, 2009 SSC meeting were approved, with the addition of the underlined language below inserted in Item #2 of those minutes: **“Formed a subcommittee to develop and recommend ways to report the results of RETI evaluation of transmission solutions to access renewables in ways that all SSC members can support.** Some SSC members do not want RETI to report rankings of proposed line segments, out of concern that rankings will imply a level of precision which is not possible at this point and will complicate public acceptance or approval of proposed transmission projects involving those line segments.”

Minutes of the April 28, 2009 meeting were approved as read. No inaccuracies were noted in the Meeting Notes of the May 15, 2009 meeting.

2. **Committed to the following Plenary Stakeholder Group public meetings.** Each meeting will first present an overview of the purpose, goals and work of the initiative, and summarize key points of the Phase 2A Draft Report, and will then solicit comments and suggestions from the public. Public notices will be posted for each meeting.  
**June 18:** Victorville, San Bernardino County. This meeting will precede or follow a related public workshop on implementation of Executive Order S-14-08.  
**June 19:** Mojave, Kern County. Kern County Supervisors have offered to arrange a customized tour of a wind or solar generating project in the Tehachapi region for SSC members, to be held on Saturday, June 20. Anne Gillette, Scott Flint, Clare Laufenberg Gallardo and Dave Singleton will participate in this tour; other SSC members may also attend.  
**June 23** (tentative): Redding.  
**June 24** (tentative, pending confirmation of meeting location): Sacramento.

The SSC Outreach Committee will plan each meeting in detail and send logistics information to SSC members who have committed to attend. These include, for June 18: CPUC (Anne Gillette, Billie Blanchard); CEC (Clare Laufenberg Gallardo); CAISO (Gary DeShazo); DFG (Scott Flint); SCPPA (Dave Walden); and SCE. LADWP may attend. The same people will attend the June 19 meeting, with the exception of Dave Walden.

SSC members attending the June 23-24 meetings include: CPUC (Anne Gillette, Billie Blanchard); CEC (Clare Laufenberg Gallardo); CAISO (Gary DeShazo); NAHC (Dave

Singleton); SMUD (Mike DeAngelis); wind generators (Dariush Shirmohammadi); USFS may attend.

3. **Revision of the preliminary Phase 2A Draft Report.** RETI Coordinators will revise the draft to include clarifications and changes provided during the meeting, and work with the CEC to add information to existing maps and insert new maps. Additional written comments and suggestions for revision are **due to RETI Coordinators on Monday, June 1**. Coordinators will forward PG&E's suggested language on limitations of the Phase 2A methodology and conclusions to the SSC. Coordinators will expand recommendations for each group of line segments at the end of Chapter 3 and send this new language to the SSC the night of June 1. Comments on these revised recommendations are **due to Coordinators by noon on June 2**. Coordinators will develop new charts to illustrate major points and will send these to SSC members on June 1.

4. **Phase 2A Report Schedule:**

June 3:	Draft Phase 2A Report incorporating SSC revisions posted for public comment.
June 26:	End of public comment period on Draft Report.
July 3:	Draft Final Report incorporating public comment sent to SSC.
July 8:	SSC meeting to review and accept Phase 2A Draft Final Report, with SSC-agreed revisions.
July 15:	Additional SSC meeting, if necessary, to review and accept Phase 2A Final Report.

**Next SSC meeting:** Wednesday, July 8, at the CPUC, San Francisco. This is an in-person, all-day meeting, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM, to review the Phase 2A Draft Final Report.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 PM.

**May 29, 2009 SSC meeting attendees**

**SSC members:**

PG&E	Curt Hatton
SCE	Steve Mavis (for Patricia Arons)
SDG&E	Linda Brown
IEP	Steven Kelly
SCPPA	Dave Walden
CAISO	Gary DeShazo
SMUD	Mike DeAngelis
LADWP	Mohammed Beshir
USFS	Julie Tupper (web)
Biomass	Gregg Morris (web)

Geothermal	John McCaull (web)
Solar	Arthur Haubenstock
Wind	Darius Shirmohammadi
CEC	Clare Laufenberg Gallardo
CPUC	Anne Gillette; Billie Blanchard
DRA	Scott Logan
NAHC	Dave Singleton
NRDC	Johanna Wald
DFG	Scott Flint
NCPA	Matt Foskett (for Jim Pope; web)

**Not Present:**

BLM	Ashley Conrad-Saydah
Counties	Joe Bertotti
Counties	Andy Horne
IID	Juan Carlos Sandoval
PG&E	Kevin Dasso
SCE	Gary Allen
Solar	Rainer Aringhoff
Sierra Club	Carl Zichella
Military	Tony Parisi
SDG&E	Mike McClenahan

**Coordinating Committee members attending:**

CEC	Laurie ten Hope; Chuck Najarian
CAISO	Robin Smutny-Jones

**Observers:**

Navigant/TANC	David Oliver
SDG&E	Jan Strack (web)
SCE	Kevin Richardson
Vulcan Power	Jim Kritikson (web)
Citizen	John Moore
Consultant	Ann Spaulding (web)
CEC	Roger Johnson
Tessera Solar	Nick Chaset (web)
State of Oregon PUC	Matt Muldoon (web)
Sempra	Pamela Mills (web)
Greenberg Traurig, LLP	Gene Varanini (web)
CEERT	Ryan Drobek
Aspen Environmental Group	Suzanne Phinney (web)
MWD	Ann Finley (web)
Westlands Water District	Robert Dowds (web)
Edison Mission Group	David Wen (web)
Wildlands Conservancy	Jamie Hall (web)
Affiliation unknown	Sue Mosbacher (web)

NCPA  
Flynn RCI  
Entrix  
**PG&E**

Nannette Engelbrite  
Barry Flynn  
John Nadolski  
**Dan Kim**

**Coordinators:**

Rich Ferguson, Dave Olsen – CEERT